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Area artists have only until Dec. 27 to enter the Three Cities Art Club Martin Luther King and Black History Month Exhibit at the Gallery at Westland City Hall.

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Canton offers diversion program for youth crimes

Sometimes the key to crime prevention is intervention rather than imprisonment.

A new program in Canton Township in conjunction with Growth Works and the office of the Wayne County Prosecutor offers an alternative intervention system for juvenile offenders. The program works to improve patterns of juvenile behavior through alternatives outside the criminal justice system, while maintaining the community standards and expectations of the involved victims or complaining parties.

> *I'm eager to see how this innovative pilot program will benefit the community, and the potential positive-impact it may have.*

The Canton Police Department implemented the one-year pilot program last October, and already has 27 young offenders participating in the Juvenile Diversion Program. The Canton Juvenile Diversion Program was developed around the State of Michigan Act 13 of 1988. Juveniles who commit one of a specified list of misdemeanor offenses can be referred to the program. Offenses such as possession of marijuana, alcohol, tobacco or vape materials; simple assault, disorderly conduct, communicating threats, trespassing, undisciplined juveniles who are habitual runaways or have truancy or curfew violations, larceny or damage to property offenses can be sent into the program as an alternative to more severe punishments. All juvenile offenders in Canton are now considered for the diversion program, which refers them to Growth Works, a counseling service, where staff members establish a customized 12-week course of action for the offender.

Each program is designed for the individual and is based on the offense, history of the juvenile, needs of the minor. The goal, officials said, is to utilize counseling and criteria to curb and correct the minor's behavior without attaching legal ramifications. Parent/guardian participation is also a requirement of the program, allowing them to participate in the opportunity for the child to grow and learn from the experience.

"When juveniles engage in risky behaviors and make bad decisions, this Juvenile Diversion Program will provide a restorative justice model with rigorous oversight, while reducing dependence on the traditional juvenile justice process for minor offenses," said Chad Baugh, deputy director of the Canton Police Department.

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Employees and the owner from the Serta Mattress bedding factory in Romulus donated more than $3,000 in gifts to Toys for Tots this year, topping the $1,000 they gave to the holiday charity organization last year. Photo by Tracy Bostwick.

Mattress employees 'stuff' the Toys for Tots bins

The spirit of giving is alive and well at the Serta Mattress facility in Romulus.

To date, employees have donated more than $3,000 to help Toys for Tots this year, topping their contribution of more than $1,000 last year.

The bedding manufacturing plant was founded by Harry Kraft in 1913 and is currently owned by his great-grandson, Larry Kraft, now the CEO, who has joined the employees in generously contributing to the holiday effort.

"I know Serta Restokraft's success throughout our 106 years in business is largely due to the tremendous employees we've had but those who are working here today, are truly the most amazing group of individuals I've ever had the pleasure of working with.

"They represent what the meaning of holidays is all about. I'm so proud of their willingness to ensure no child goes without during this time of the year. Together the Serta 'family' has collected and is donating over $2500 worth of toys to the Romulus Toys for Tots chapter," Kraft said.

> *Not to mention, I really love Christmas and do not want to see any child go without a gift at this time of the year.*

The effort began last year when employee Lance Reid approached Kraft an idea to collect money at Christmas time and donate to a family in need in the Romulus community. When Kraft agreed and the announcement was made to the 170 employees, contributions were immediate, explained Tracy Bostwick, human resources director at the facility.

"The money started rolling in quickly and after about a week the money donated was more than enough to help several families in our community," she said. "We contacted Toys for Tots - Romulus chapter and had boxes delivered the very next day. A couple of the office ladies took the money and went on a shopping spree for several hours. We ended up with 14 bikes, toys, games and books from infant all the way up to teenage appropriate gifts.

"The total donated by employees of Serta Mattress was $500 and with the generous company match from Larry Kraft, we had $1000 worth of gifts for Christmas last year," she said.

"I grew up being a family in need. My mom used to take us to pick out a gift from the local church which partnered with Goodwill and that was our Christmas. I'm in a better position, financially, than I was growing up, so I want to give back and inspire others to give back, just like people helped me in times of need. Not to mention, I really love Christmas and do not want to see any child go without a gift at this time of the year," Reid said.

Again this year, Kraft matched the employees' contributions and with the $2,400, there were multiple gifts for Toys for Tots this year.

"This is what the holiday is all about, giving to others in need and our factory employees are sometimes just scraping by but yet they willingly donated hard earned money so children could have gifts at Christmas," Bostwick said.

Lance Reid, an employee at Serta Mattress, poses with some of the Toys for Tots donations this year. He suggested the campaign at the factory last year.

Republic Waste awarded 5-year contract extension in Belleville

Republic Waste will continue as the waste hauler in Belleville for another five years, following a unanimous vote to continue with the company which has served the city for 15 years.

Four bids for the service which includes hauling away refuse, recycling and yard-waste for about 1,100 stops in the city were received and reviewed by Belleville DPW Director Rick Rutherford and City Manager Diana Kollmeyer who recommended that council approve continuing with Republic during the meeting last week. Rutherford told the council members that the Republic bid was a savings to the city and that the bid included some upgrades to the service. He also cited the experience of Republic in the city and explained that a change could prove problematic for a new provider.

Republic bid $14.85 per stop, per month for the first year of the contract, $15.30 for the second year, $15.75 for the third year, $16.22 for the fourth year and $16.71 during the fifth year of the contract.

Officials did discuss the changing regulations and costs of recycling which are facing every community in the area providing the curbside service as higher costs for the service and new restrictions on acceptable items have been enacted by recycling operators who face the new restrictions from service providers.

Canton

Loving tribute

Parents honor deceased son's wish with retreat center for veterans

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Terry and Jan Blumberg are honoring the final wishes of their son, Trevor, who was killed in action Sept. 14, 2003.

Growing up in Canton Township meant a great deal to the U.S. Army sergeant who was killed in Fallujah, Iraq, his parents said and they are honoring his wish to establish a retreat center in northern Michigan with the help of volunteers and veterans organizations.

The couple stays in touch with members of their son's Army unit through email and Facebook, although Jan Blumberg noted that some veterans remain distant as memories are too painful.

Veterans also face post-traumatic stress disorder, she added, and visiting the retreat named Blum's Landing helps them. Trevor's unit members have visited the retreat near Lake Huron beaches. The veteran and his or her most immediate family stay at the home which serves as a free bed and breakfast retreat.

Blumberg, a retired Garden-City teacher and principal, noted, "It did certainly take some time to acclimate. I was strictly a city girl born and bred; but with time, this place has become home and a wonderful sanctuary.

"Friends in Canton were supporters of our plans. The members of St. Michaels Lutheran Church, The American Legions, VVAs, VFWs in the area gave us much backing and encouragement by donating time and money to make this place come to fruition," she said.

The website www.blumslanding.org notes that it is a 501(c)3 nonprofit "for the military personnel and their families to relax, to recoup, and to re-energize from the stress of their current rehab and duties."

Trevor's parents now live near Rogers City from where they operate the retreat. They first also honored their son's request to care for his dog, Scrappy, who is now deceased.

Jan Blumberg noted, "We are open all year; but seem to get few takers. When we first planned this, our thoughts were of the average 22-year-old vet (Trevor's age). But, reality hit and we realized these 'kids' are now families

Trevor Blumberg

of teenagers, young adults and active lives. We also have had families with 'His, mine, ours kids' making for a different kind of social need. Because of sports, etc. they just cannot get away. And, we do not operate at holidays; so we can be with our little family.

"Guests are first come, first serve with schedules begun as early as late January. We primarily focus after Memorial weekend. We did go into the fall this year; and we do have a few winter 'takers'. Any guest may stay with his/her most immediate family up to five days free at our home. Some choose long weekends, too," she said.

She and Terry struggle with some last-minute changes due to deployments, hospitalizations or other issues. Generally, there have been up to 14 families each year, some more, some less.

"Families who have come here have stated that they felt calmed and comfortable in this environment. How do we know? Terry and I wondered if we needed to do a survey; but we don't. We base it on how long they remain on the front porch and talk and talk and smile prior to their having to leave.

"The veteran's who have come here have found folks who understand the wounds emotionally that each of them suffer. We encourage just enjoying the blessings. Some of these vets have strong family units who love and care for them. Some of the families are sadly very disrupted. We try to create a home where they become family.... after a 'formal' run through we show them where the drinks are, the cups and glasses and snacks."

The veterans on retreat then help themselves, she explained.

"We insist on a family-style welcome dinner to send a loving message of thanks. We also provide treats throughout their stay as a way to kind of spoil them."

Santa and Mrs. Claus have visited Blum's Landing, and Trevor's parents find a veteran sharing his story the best publicity they can receive. Blum's Landing can handle some disabilities and the pontoon boat and landing are handicap compliant.

They received funding and are awaiting the builder to complete a handicap compliant cabin although no service animals nor other animals are invited.

"After Scrappy died three years ago, we decided it was best," said Trevor's mom, noting that also keeps the rooms clear of allergic reactions.

"We have had several of our vets who understand and still choose to come; and there are some that cannot separate. We understand and keep the invitation always open to the future."

Diversion

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Diversion records for participants who successfully complete the program are sealed and can only be opened by order of the court. Records of juveniles enrolled in the diversion program are destroyed within 28 days of the minor becoming 17 years of age, according to the state law governing the program.

Diversion participants who do not successfully complete the requirements established with Growth Works will have their misdemeanor case re-opened by the police department, and any appropriate course of court action will follow which may include the issuance of a citation or petition to court.

Included in the development of the program was an Oversight and Review Panel that will focus on ensuring the program conforms to community standards, maintains equality of opportunity for juveniles, and policy compliance. The review panel will meet every six months and will provide feedback and recommendations at the one-year mark.

"I'm eager to see how this innovative pilot program will benefit the community, and the potential positive-impact it may have on the juvenile participants," said Canton Township Director of Public Safety Joshua Meier.

All juvenile offenders are originally considered for the program unless the juvenile has a prior arrest history, the offense is a felony, the offender lives outside of Wayne County, the victim makes a request for restitution to be paid, the victim makes a request for the offender to be criminally prosecuted or the parent/guardian of the offender refuses to allow the minor child to participate in the program,

On Monday morning, Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy announced a similar diversion program for youth offenders through her office that will implemented county-wide.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE BONDS BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan, intends to issue limited tax general obligation bonds in one or more series in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed $20,000,000 for the purpose of defraying all or part of the costs of Township capital improvements as described in the Canton Township Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) 2019-2023 Township Owned Facilities, as such capital improvement plan may be amended or supplemented from time to time.

The bonds will bear interest from their date at a rate or rates to be determined upon the sale thereof but in no event to exceed such rates as may be permitted by law.

The bonds will be issued under and pursuant to the provisions of Act No. 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, and the full faith and credit of the Charter Township of Canton will be pledged to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds as the same shall become due. The Charter Township of Canton will be obligated, as a first budget obligation, to advance moneys from its general funds or to levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable property within its corporate boundaries to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds as the same shall become due; provided, however, that the amount of taxes necessary to pay the principal and interest on the bonds, together with the taxes levied for the same year, shall not exceed the limit authorized by law. The source of payment for the bonds may also include other legally available funds.

RIGHT TO PETITION FOR REFERENDUM

This notice is given, by order of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, to and for the benefit of the electors of the Charter Township of Canton in order to inform them of their right to petition for a referendum upon the question of the issuance of the aforesaid bonds. The bonds will be issued, without submitting such a question to a vote of the electors, unless within 45 days after the date of publication of this notice a petition requesting a referendum upon such question, signed by not less than 10% or 15,000 of the registered electors residing within the Charter Township of Canton, whichever is the lesser, shall have been filed with the undersigned Township Clerk. In the event that such a petition is filed, the bonds will not be issued unless and until the issuance thereof shall have been approved by the vote of a majority of the electors of the Charter Township of Canton qualified to vote and voting thereon at a general or special election.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information relative to the issuance of said bonds, the capital improvement plan and the subject matter of this notice may be secured at the office of the Township Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48118.

This notice is given pursuant to the provisions of Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended.

Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk
Charter Township of Canton

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59. Auctions

THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES HAVE BEEN DEEMED ABANDONED BY THE WESTLAND POLICE DEPT. AND WILL BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC AUCTION AT BISHOP AUTO WRECKING LLC AT 2780 SPRINGHILL INKSTER, MI 48141 ON MONDAY DEC. 30, 2019 AT 10:00 AM

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Light refreshments are served.
January 16 at 6pm
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The Giant Tire
We all know the tire from I-94, but how did it end up a Detroit Landmark. Author Steven J. Frey will be discussing his new book all about the Giant Tire.
Copies of the book will be available to purchase and the Author will be signing them!
January 23 @ 6 pm
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Patron Appreciation Day !
Join us January 15 for some cocoa, cookies, and compliments. As we show our patrons our gratitude.
Refreshments will be served all day in the meeting room (while supplies last). So make sure to stop by and have a little winter pick me up!
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BELLEVILLE

Metroparks welcomes first new canine police officer

The Huron-Clinton Metro-parks Police Department congratulated the newest officer on the force last week when he was awarded his training diploma and officially sworn into the department.

Officer Parks, a Labrador Retriever, joined the force in February and recently successfully completed all his necessary training and was awarded his diploma during the December meeting of the Metroparks Board of Commissioners meeting earlier this month.

Parks is the first canine officer with the Metroparks Police Department. Among his duties, he is expected to be a goodwill ambassador for the Metroparks and foster positive interactions with the police department, officials said. As part of Parks' training, he and his handler, Ofc. Tom Green, are now certified in tracking and explosives detection. Green proudly noted that Parks graduated first in his class for obedience and that his extensive training and certifications now allow the dog to work to conduct police activities. Evidence produced by certified canines and officers is now recognized in courts during both criminal prosecution and civil litigation purposes, officials noted.

Parks and Green are required to receive additional training on a regular basis to maintain the court recognized status. Parks will also occasionally be available to travel to assist other police departments when a need for his special services arises, Green said.

"Parks is a nice additional resource for the department and we look forward to introducing him to new Metroparks visitors at upcoming events. Besides assisting in the law enforcement aspect, Parks will provide a nice bridge between the police and patrons of the Metroparks,"noted Metroparks Chief of Police Michael Reese

Parks proudly raised his right paw as Smith completed the official swearing in witnessed by members of the Metroparks board, staff personnel, the public and members of Parks' human family.

Officer Parks, assisted by his handler Ofc. Tom Green, poses for his official portrait after being sworn into office as a member of the Huron-Clinton Metroparks Police Department last week.

Superintendent Pete Kudlak

Superintendent receives high marks, raise

Van Buren Public Schools Superintendent Pete Kudlak went to the top of the class with the high marks he received on his evaluation from the members of the board of education.

Members of the board rated Kudlak's performance during the past year as "highly effective" the highest rating possible. They also approved a year-long contract extension and an increase in salary to $154,000 annually.

The salary increase will become effective in July 2020 according the contract and is a $12,000 increase from the $142,000 he was awarded last year during his evaluation when he received a rating of "effective" from the board members.

The decision and evaluation took place in a closed session of the board members. Board president Keith Johnston said, however, that Kudlak's community relations were excellent and that he had proven himself as fiscally responsible, noting that the district will add $800,000 to the fund balance this year under Kudlak's supervision.

Johnston also noted that the district had not "given" Kudlak anything and that the superintendent, who has held the position since 2016, has "earned everything he;d gotten."

He also noted that there have been no lawsuits, attorney fees have been reduced and that Kudlak is making strides in improving district-wide test scores.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, January 9, 2020 for the following:

CHERRY HILL VILLAGE THEATER PROJECTORS AND SCREENS

Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, January 16, 2020 for the following:

CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATIONS
(NOTE: EACH HOUSE TO BE BID SEPARATELY)

Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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PLANNING COMMISSION
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday January 6, 2020 in the ***First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m.*** on the following proposed special land use request as provided in Section 27.03 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance:

VA OUTPATIENT FACILITY - CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR A MEDICAL CLINIC AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 22.02B.1 ON PARCEL NO 048 99 0022 701. Property is located east of Lotz between Warren Rd, and Ford Rd.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, January 2, 2020 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

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Greg Greene, Chairman
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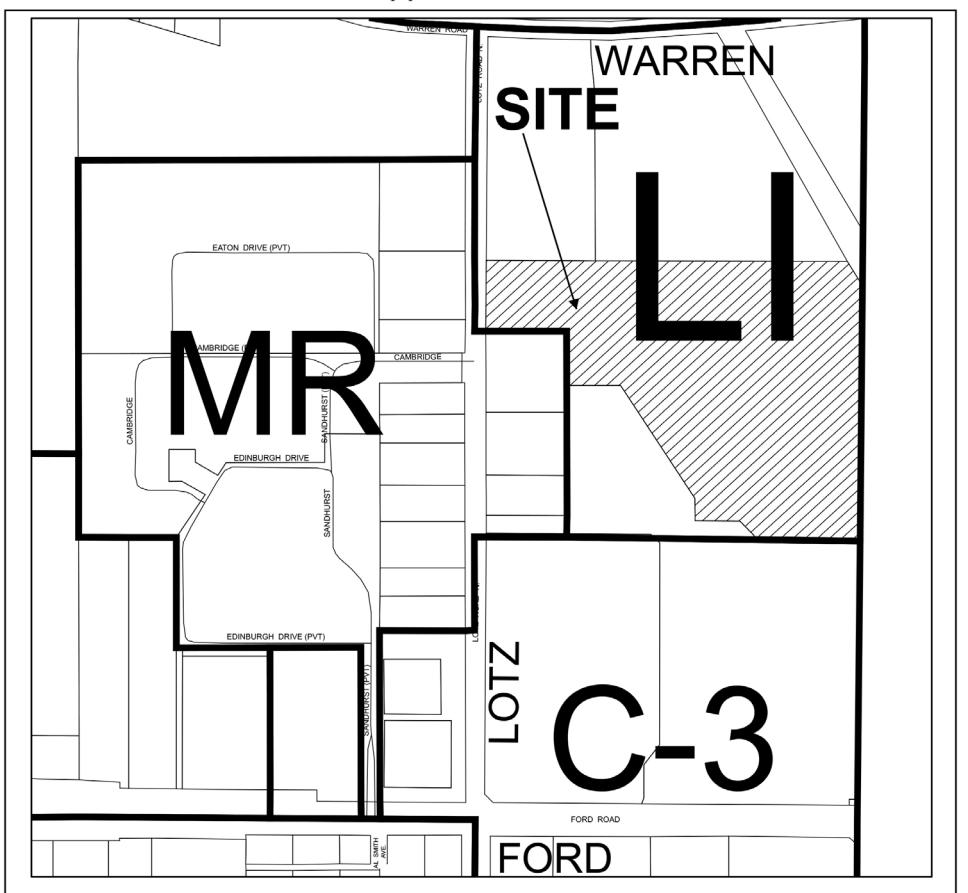

VA Community Based Outpatient Facility 048-SLU-5770

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RA RURAL AGRICULTURAL	R-4 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL	C-2 COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL	LI LIGHT INDUSTRIAL
RR RURAL RESIDENTIAL	R-5 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL	C-3 REGIONAL COMMERCIAL	LI-R RESEARCH PARK
RE RURAL ESTATE	R-6 SINGLE FAMILY ATTACHED RESIDENTIAL	C-4 INTERCHANGE SERVICE	GI GENERAL INDUSTRIAL
R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL	MR MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL	O-1 OFFICE	
R-2 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL	RMH MOBILE HOME PARK	MRD MID-RISE DEVELOPEMENT	

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
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CULVER'S RESTAURANT SPECIAL LAND USE - CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR A RESTAURANT WITH DRIVE-THRU AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 16.02B5 FOR PART OF PARCEL NO. 058 99 0003 720. Property is located south of Ford Road and east of Canton Center Road.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, January 2, 2020 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

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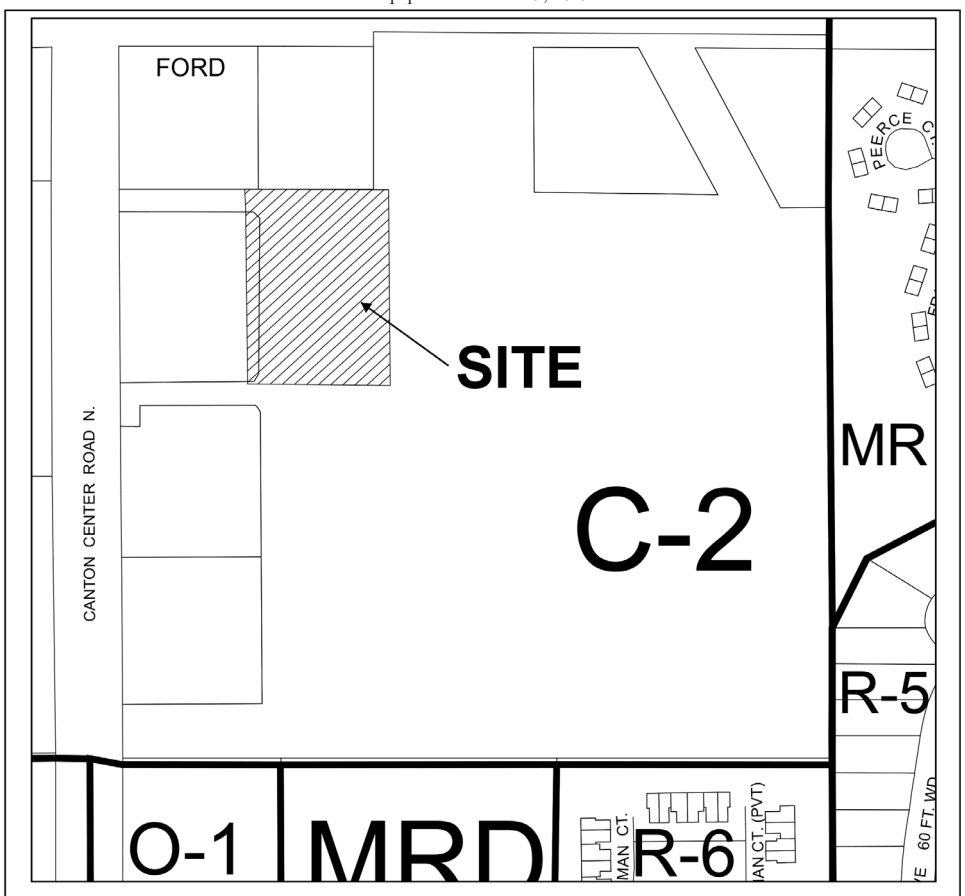

Culver's Restaurant 058-SLU-5651

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CANTON Community

Romulus

Seasonal celebration

Families gathered at the Romulus Senior Center from 10:30 until noon Dec. 8 to get an early start on celebrating the holidays during the annual Brunch with Santa event, hosted by the Romulus Recreation Department. Guests enjoyed breakfast, arts and crafts and a special story time with Santa and Mrs. Claus.

Metro Detroit Airport wins highest customer rating

Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (DTW) ranks number one for overall traveler satisfaction among 17 other mega airports in North America, according to J.D. Power's 14th annual North American Airport Satisfaction Study for 2019.

The 2019 North America Airport Satisfaction Study measures overall traveler satisfaction with mega, large and medium North American airports by examining six factors (in order of importance): terminal facilities; airport accessibility; baggage claim; security check; check-in/baggage check; and food, beverage and retail. Now in its 14th year, the study is based on responses from 32,276 U.S. or Canadian residents who traveled through at least one U.S. or Canadian airport and covers both departure and arrival experiences during the past three months. Mega airports are those having 33 million or more passengers per year.

"Michigan continues to grow its reputation as a national leader in both leisure travel and business attraction as a result of key assets like the Detroit Metro Airport," said Jeff Mason, CEO of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. "This recognition by J.D. Power highlights the strength of Michigan's supply chain and logistics ecosystem for our businesses and the warm welcome visitors can expect when they come to experience all Pure Michigan has to offer.

The Detroit Metropolitan Airport in Romulus is a world-class global supply chain asset as well as one of the largest U.S. air hubs. Located within 500 miles of nearly half the U.S. and Canadian population and commerce centers, Michigan provides unparalleled access to the market.

In addition, many businesses credit being near Detroit Metropolitan Airport as a critical logistical advantage when choosing to build research and development sites in the state.

Tourism also continues to be a key industry for the state of Michigan, with visitor spending in the state reaching growing 3.9% in 2018 to $25.7 billion. Additionally, tourism spending supports 6.0% of all jobs in Michigan. Detroit Metro Airport serves as a major point of entry into Michigan for national and international leisure travelers and has been a partner with the award-winning Pure Michigan campaign to welcome visitors - particularly international arrivals - to the state.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - PUBLIC HEARING
January 15, 2020 - 7:00 PM

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, January 15, 2020 at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI. The ZBA will consider a variance request to Chapter 170, Zoning Ordinance as follows:

- 170-18.1 Schedule of Regulations Limiting Height, Bulk, Density and Area by Land Use to allow an expansion of a nonconforming front yard setback for property located at 16585 Franklin Rd.

Written comments regarding these requests will be received by the ZBA at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M.

Paul Slatin, Chair
Zoning Board of Appeals

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CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

RFP 19/20-14 Merriman Road SAD Landscaping & Irrigation System
Two Year Maintenance Contract

The City of Romulus is seeking proposals from experienced and qualified contractors for the purpose on entering into a two year contractual services contract for the maintenance of the landscaping and irrigation system located in the Special Assessment District located along Merriman Road in the City of Romulus.

(1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a proposal ***must use the forms provided by the City***. Proposal forms and specifications may be obtained from the MITN system at http://www.mitn.info/. Copies of documents obtained from any other source are not considered official copies. Proposals may be rejected unless made on the forms included with the bidding documents.

(2) Questions must be emailed to Purchasing@romulusgov.com and received no later than 12:00 PM Local Time, January 07, 2020.

(3) Clarifications, modifications, or amendments may be made to this solicitation at the discretion of the City. Any and all addenda issued by the City will be posted on the MITN system. All interested parties are instructed to view the MITN website regularly for any issued addenda. It is the responsibility of the bidder to obtain all issued addenda and acknowledge receipt of said addenda by including a printed copy of each addendum as part of the required documents for this solicitation and to list the addendum and sign and date the "Acknowledgment of Receipt Addenda Form: supplied in the RFP documents.

(4) A total of four (4) copies (One original and four marked "Copy") and 1 electronic copy in "PDF" form of the documents of the proposal must be submitted together in a sealed envelope or package and returned to the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:30 P.M., Tuesday, 1/14/2020. The original proposal may be clipped but should not be stapled or bound. Copies may be stapled and bound. The original and copies should be identical, excluding the obvious difference in labeling. Proposals should be addressed using the Proposal Package Label provided in the solicitation documents.

(5) At approximately 2:45 p.m. local time following the deadline for submitting bids, all timely received bids are to be publicly opened and read.

(6) The successful Contractor will be required to enter into a contract with, and provide all bonds and submit proof of all insurance required by the request for proposal documents and originals of all required endorsements acceptable to the City.

(7) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all proposals and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in proposals received. Ultimately, a contract may be awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible company, as determined in the sole discretion of the City of Romulus or otherwise in a manner deemed by the City to be in its own best interest.

(8) The City reserves the right to reject as non-responsive any proposals that do not contain the information requested in this RFP

(9) The City reserves the right to reject as non-responsive any proposals which are not organized and formatted as described in this RFP.

(10) The City, during the course of the evaluation process, may request additional written information to supplement and clarify the information provided in this response.

(11) The City, at the discretion of the proposal evaluation team, may conduct interviews with some or all of the companies that submitted proposals for consideration.

(12) For additional information contact Gary Harris, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director, by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing purchasing@romulusgov.com.

(13) The City of Romulus strictly prohibits the reproduction or publishing of any published document or solicitation without the express written consent of the City of Romulus. Unauthorized posting of any notice of these documents or reference to said documents or solicitations is strictly prohibited.

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

December 2, 2019
Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd, Romulus, MI 48174

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem John Barden
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Present: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams
Absent / Excused: Celeste Roscoe
Administrative Officials in Attendance:
Leroy D. Burcroff, Mayor
Stacy Paige, Treasurer
Administrative Staff in Attendance: Steve Hitchcock, City Attorney; Robin R. Underwood, Deputy Clerk

1. **Agenda**
   Moved by Kathy Abdo, seconded by Tina Talley to accept the Agenda as presented
   Motion Carried Unanimously.
2. **Minutes**
   Res. #19-366 Moved by William Wadsworth, seconded by Eva Webb to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on November 25, 2019. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.
3. **Petitioner** - None.
4. **Chairperson's Report**, John Barden, Mayor ProTem
   Moved by Tina Talley, seconded by Kathy Abdo to accept the Chairperson's Report.
   Motion Carried Unanimously.
5. **Mayor's Report – LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor**
   The "Peanut Bowl Champions" Romulus Flyers football J.V. Team and the Freshman Team, "Runner Ups" were presented Championship medals.
   A. Res. #19-367 Moved by William Wadsworth, seconded by Kathy Abdo to concur with the administration and approve the DDA Board reappointment of Reverend James Bowen with a term to expire on December 31, 2023 to the Downtown Development Authority.
   Motion Carried Unanimously.
   B. Res. #19-368 Moved by Eva Webb, seconded by Kathy Abdo to concur with administration and consent piggyback on MiDeal Contract #071B7700181 with Gorno Ford to purchase one (1) Ford F150 Lariat Pick-up Truck in the amount of $43,665.00 including extended warranty and options.
   Motion Carried Unanimously.

C. Res. #19-369 Moved by Eva Webb, seconded by Kathy Abdo to Table the Introduction of Budget Amendment 19/20 10 to bring back during Budget time.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

D. Res. #19-370 Moved by William Wadsworth, seconded by Eva Webb to concur with Administration and introduce Budget Amendment 19/2011 to pay for final construction costs of Goddard Road Streetscape.

FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT NAME	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDMENT	AMENDED BUDGET
Major Roads Fund Balance				
202-000-390.000	Fund Balance	919,956	100,700	819,256
Expense				
202-463-980.013	Capital Outlay		100,700	100,700

To pay for final construction costs of Goddard Road Streetscape. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

6. **Clerk's Report – Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk**

A. Res. #19-371 Moved by Kathy Abdo, seconded by Eva Webb to approve the Second Reading, Final Adoption of Amendment to Code of Ordinances, Chapter 62, Article II, and Section 62, to add Division 4A Illicit Discharge & Stormwater Control.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

B. Res. #19-372 Moved by Eva Webb, seconded by Kathy Abdo to approve the Second Reading, Final Adoption of a Zoning Amendment for RZ2019003 for Global Truck Repair, to Rezone 10.10 acres of property (Ecorse Rd, Parcel ID#80004020815000) from M1, Light Industrial to MT, Industrial Transportation.
Motion Carried.

C. Res. #19-373 Moved by William Wadsworth, seconded by Virginia Williams to approve the First Reading / Introduction of an Amendment to Code of Ordinances, Chapter 38 Parks and Recreation, Article I, Section 3810, Firearms and Explosives. **Motion Carried**

7. **Treasurer's Report – Stacy Paige, Treasurer**
   Treasurer Paige announced that the Quarterly Report is available to peruse if anyone is interested. Tax bills were sent out, please call the office if you have any questions or concern.
8. **Public Comment** - One (1) resident addressed City Council.
9. **Unfinished Business**

A. Res. #19-374 Moved by Eva Webb, seconded by Kathy Abdo to remove from the Table **Resolution #19-347** relating to the SLU2019002; Miller Pipeline (6911 Metroplex) Special Land Use Request. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

B. Res. #19-375 Moved by Kathy Abdo, seconded by William Wadsworth to approve the SLU2019002; Miller Pipeline (6911 Metroplex) Special Land Use Request.**Motion Carried Unanimously**.

10. **New Business** - None.
11. **Communication**
    Councilwoman Talley requested sponsorships for "Wreaths Across America."
    Councilwoman Abdo encouraged everyone to support the Romulus H.S. National Honor Society's Bowling Fundraiser on Sunday, 12/8/2019 and gave special thanks to the Romulus House for the Thanksgiving Dinners served free to the community.
    Mayor Burcroff invited all to the Tree Lighting event on Friday, 12/6/2019 at 6:00 p.m., at the Historical Park.
12. **Adjournment**
    Moved by William Wadsworth, seconded by Eva Webb to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.
    Motion Carried Unanimously.

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Romulus City Council held on December 2, 2019.

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

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WAYNE

New recruit

Wayne police now have full-time therapy dog at station

The latest member of the Wayne Police Department offers a unique service to officers and victims alike: tail wags and pats and once in awhile, even a sloppy kiss or two.

Zeke, the official therapy dog of the department, has successfully completed 24 weeks of obedience training and is certified through the Alliance of Therapy Dogs. The international therapy dog organization provides testing and certification for therapy dog teams and requires obedience testing, veterinarian certification and observation from trained examiners in various settings.

> *He does maintain a strict napping schedule.*

According to the official police facebook page, Zeke is available for head pats and friendly tail wags to anyone requesting the interaction.

"Although everyone here at the Wayne Police Department loves this profession, law enforcement is extremely stressful. We are exposed to constant trauma over our careers - people at their worst, murders, horrific traffic crashes, etc. Zeke will be there to reduce stress for officers and other staff. Zeke is part of a larger officer wellness initiative the Wayne Police Department began earlier this year. The healthier the police department is, the better we are able to serve the public," notes a posting on the page.

The dog is also available to help ease the stress of crime victims who visit the police station and officers said that Zeke will soon be seen in public as he may accompany officers to various public appearances. The public is welcome to visit the newest member of the force at the police station, according to the facebook post, although, "he does maintain a strict napping schedule."

When not at the station, Zeke lives with Wayne Police Chief Ryan Strong and his family. Strong paid all the training expenses for Zeke and continues to fund all supplies, veterinary bills, therapy dog association membership fees, along with several necessary dog toys.

Zeke has already been visited by several members of the community and has expressed his "thanks" for all the attention on the police page where he also notified the public that he "saw a squirrel today."

Zeke, the new Wayne Police Department certified therapy dog, makes himself at home during naptime at the police station. Zeke will be available to help both officers and victims during stressful situations. All expenses for Zeke are paid by Police Chief Ryan Strong.

Meeting of Distinguished Young Women hopefuls set

An orientation meeting for Distinguished Young Women of Wayne-Westland candidates will take place at 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26 at 32807 Manor Park in Garden City.

This year, the pageant will also include candidates for Distinguished Young Women of Wayne County.

The event will take place March 6 at Wayne Memorial High School and any high school junior girl who resides in Wayne-Westland or lives in Wayne County can register for the scholarship competitions at www.waynewestland.mi.distinguishedyw.org or www.WayneCounty.DistingusiedYW.org and click on Apply Now.

Information will be forwarded to organizers who will contact candidates with details.

To subscribe to The Eagle call 734-467-1900.

PLANNING COMMISSION
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, January 6, 2020 in the ***First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m.*** on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A - ZONING, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, MICHIGAN, BY AMENDING ARTICLE 8.00 - AMENDING THE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES ON THE ZONING MAP AS FOLLOWS;

CEDAR GROUP INVESTMENT - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 051 99 0003 000 FROM R-1, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO R-6, SINGLE FAMILY ATTACHED RESIDENTIAL. Property is located east of Haggerty between Ford and Cherry Hill Roads.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, January 2, 2020 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

SEE ATTACHED MAP

Greg Greene, Chairman
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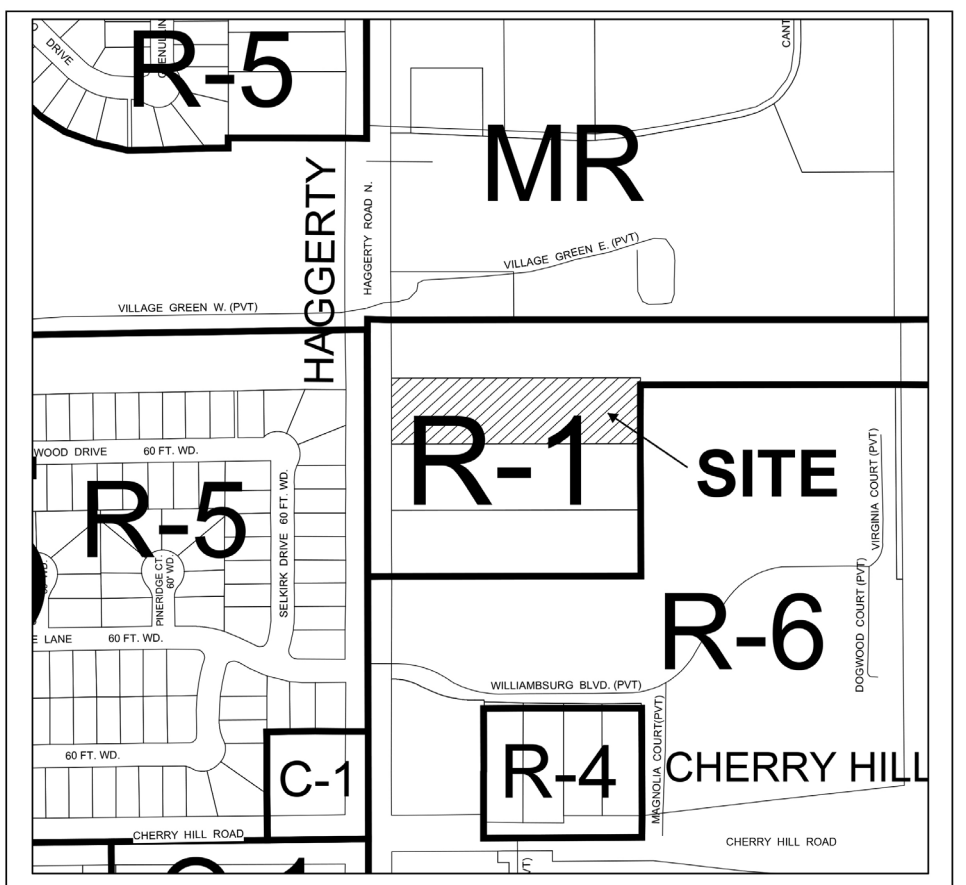

Cedar Group Investment Rezoning 051-RZ-5753

Zoning

WC WETLANDS CONSERVATION	R-3 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL	C-1 VILLAGE SHOPPING	OSP OFF STREET PARKING
RA RURAL AGRICULTURAL	R-4 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL	C-2 COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL	LI LIGHT INDUSTRIAL
RR RURAL RESIDENTIAL	R-5 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL	C-3 REGIONAL COMMERCIAL	LI-R RESEARCH PARK
RE RURAL ESTATE	R-6 SINGLE FAMILY ATTACHED RESIDENTIAL	C-4 INTERCHANGE SERVICE	GI GENERAL INDUSTRIAL
R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL	MR MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL	O-1 OFFICE	
R-2 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL	RMH MOBILE HOME PARK	MRD MID-RISE DEVELOPEMENT	

CREATED BY:
CANTON TWP. PLANNING SERVICES
1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD
CANTON, MI 48188
(734) 394-5170
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November 27, 2019

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STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ORDINANCE NO. ____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 8.00 OF APPENDIX A - ZONING, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, MICHIGAN WHICH AMENDS THE ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES ON THE ZONING MAP

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

PART I.

ARTICLE 8.00 - ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND MAP

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Pursuant to Section 27.06 of Appendix A - Zoning, the zoning map is hereby amended by changing the zoning of parcel nos. 133-01-0215-301, 133-01-0216-301, and 133-01-0127-301 from LI, Light Industrial to C-2, Community Commercial District, as shown on the attached zoning map.

PART II. Severability.

Should any section, subdivision, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid, the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or in part, shall not be affected other than the part invalidated.

PART III. Savings Clause.

The amendment of the Canton Code of Ordinances set forth in this Ordinance does not affect or impair any act done, offense committed, or right accruing, accrued, or acquired, or liability, penalty, forfeiture or punishment, pending or incurred prior to the amendment of the Canton Code of Ordinances set forth in this Ordinance.

PART IV. Repealer.

All other Ordinances or part of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

PART V. Publication.

The Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause the ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

Part VI. Effective Date.

A public hearing having been held hereon pursuant to the provisions of Section 103 of Act 110 of the Public Acts of 2006, as amended, the provisions of this Ordinance shall be published within fifteen (15) days of its adoption of publications of a notice in a newspaper circulated in Canton Township stating the date of enactment and effective date, a brief statement as to its regulatory effect and that a complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public purchase, use and inspection at the office of the Township Clerk during the hours of 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Local Time. The provision of this Ordinance shall become effective seven (7) days after its publication.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular meeting called and held on the 10th day of December, 2019, and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law.

Michael Siegrist, Clerk

Introduced: November 26, 2019
Adopted: December 10, 2019
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Effective: December 26, 2019

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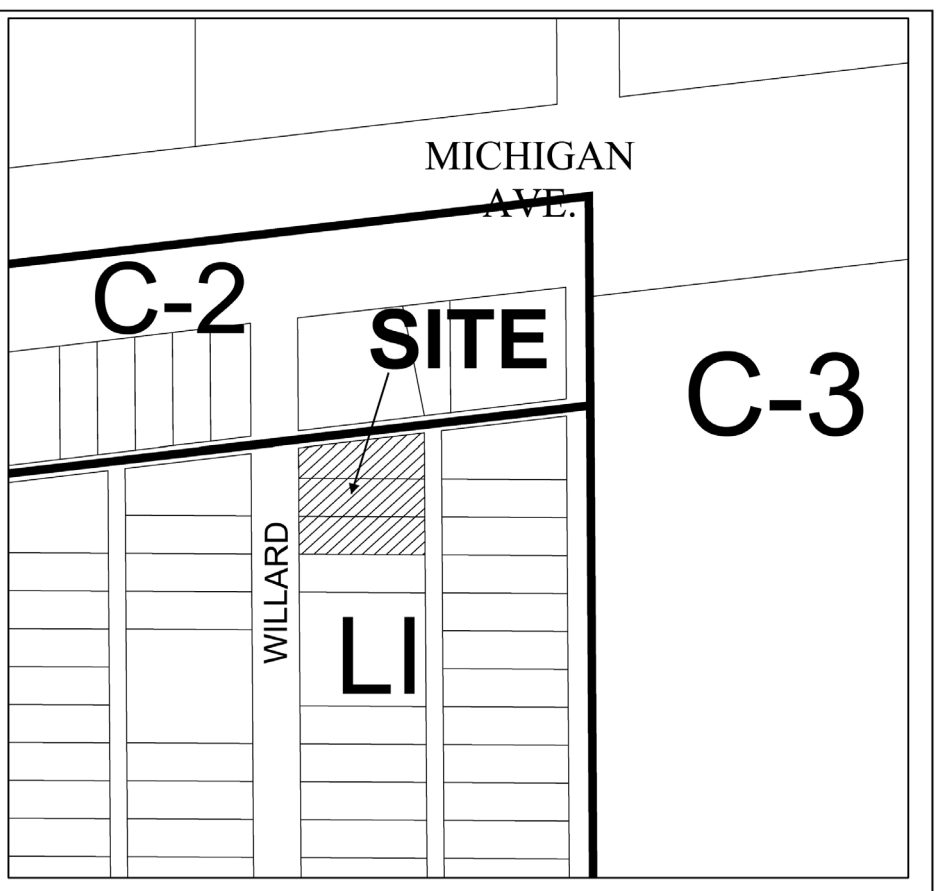

Greatland Real Estate Rezoning 133-RZ-5687

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CANTON, MI 48188
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CREATED ON:
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Canton - Northville - Westland

Northville honors 'Firefighter of the Year'

Lt. Matt Samhat was honored as the 2019 Northville City Fire Department firefighter of the Year at the annual holiday dinner on Dec. 6.

Assigned to Station 1 in downtown Northville, Samhat combines his responsibilities as an on-call firefighter and EMT with a young family and his own construction and property management business, according to officials. He comes from an entrepreneurial family - his father has his own law firm and his grandfather was a builder.

In addition to his firefighting and fire officer certifications, Samhat is a certified State of Michigan Fire Inspector, a member of the Western Wayne County Urban Search and Rescue Team, and manages the department IT needs.

Northville Fire Chief Steve Ott, who selects the recipient and presents the award, noted that the choice was particularly difficult this year. "There were many deserving people who have worked hard during the last year to help make this department a more professional organization, dedicated to serving the public", he said.

> *"I accepted it on behalf of others in the department and all the hard work they put in all year.*

"Samhat stood out for his work on three successful federal grant applications, the development and launch of a probationary training program, and his work as one of the department's child safety seat installation technicians," he added.

Since joining the department in 2012, Samhat has received commendations from the Northville Police Department and the Novi Department of Public Safety for work that he and others did assisting those agencies.

Samhat received a plaque for Firefighter of the Year and his name now appears on the master plaque in Fire Station 1. Like the other on-call personnel, Samhat will respond to the station in response to an alarm, and then respond to the call for service in a department vehicle. Last year, Station 1 responded to approximately 700 of the 1,600 calls for service received by the department.

"It's hard to say that I deserve it when there are so many people in the department who do so much," Samhat said. "I accepted it on behalf of others in the department and all the hard work they put in all year.

"Everything that I do for the department is only possible with the help of my wife and family," he added. He and his wife, Annie, have two children, Max, 12, and Lila, 9.

Lt Northville City Firefighter of the Year Lt. Matt Samhat is congratulated by his wife, Annie.

Canton trustees OK staff wage hikes, decline raises

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

While the members of the Canton Township Board of Trustees approved pay raises for township employees, they declined any raises for themselves at their Dec. 10 meeting.

Board members approved the labor pact for the International Union of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees which calls for raises of 2.5 percent, each, in years 2020 and 2021, with 2 percent raises for AFSCME employees in years 2022 and 2023.

The Canton Board of Trustees also approved a labor pact for the Technical Professional and Office Workers Association of Michigan. TPOAM employees will garner 2.5 percent raises annually in years 2020 and 2021, followed by a 2 percent raise in year 2022.

Merit (full-time, non-union) employees received a 2.5 percent wage increase for year 2020.

The members of the board declined pay raises for themselves.

Trustees also met in closed session to discuss current litigation involving Public Safety Director Joshua Meier's pension.

Art entries being accepted

Area artists have only until Dec. 27 to enter the Three Cities Art Club Martin Luther King and Black History Month Exhibit at the Gallery at Westland City Hall.

The exhibit will continue from Jan. 10 through Feb. 28 and feature original drawings, painting sand photography. First prize winner will be awarded $200, second prize is $100 and third prize winner will be awarded $50. In addition the winner of Mayor William R. Wild's Wild About Art Award will take home a $100 award.

All artists 18 or older can enter recent works. There is a non-refundable fee of $25 for up to three entries and $5 for each additional entry. All entries must be postmarked by Friday, Dec. 27 with the total entry fee and a signed artist's release from mailed to: Alga Washington, 6855, Dexter, Romulus, MI 48174.

Entries will be juried between 9 and 11 a.m. Jan. 9. Each piece must be labeled on the back with the artist's name, title, selling price and phone number. Photos and CDs can only be returned if a self-addressed, postage paid, appropriate size envelope is provided with the entry.

There will be an award presentation from 4:30-7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 6 with judge's comments at 6 p.m. with refreshments and music at the gallery. All artwork must be retrieved by Feb. 28.

For more information, contact Washington at algawashington@comcast.net Marilyn Meredith at (313) 231-3939 or marilynmeredith@wowway.com.

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The Canton Historical Commission will be holding a Public Hearing on January 8th at 7pm at the Cherry Hill School located at 50440 Cherry Hill on the northwest corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge. Discussion will cover the proposed changes to the Canton Township's Ordinance for the Historic District Commission. More information on the Historic District Commission can be found at https://www.canton-mi.org/184/Historic-District-Commission. If there are any concerns or questions, feel free to contact Gregg King, Canton Historic District Liaison at Gregg.King@Canton-mi.org.

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Synopsis of Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings
Members: Supervisor Pat Williams, Clerk Michael Siegrist, Treasurer Dian Slavens
Trustees: John Anthony, Sommer Foster, Anne Graham-Hudak, Steven Sneideman
Regular Meeting 11/12/19 Synopsis: Approved consent and general calendar as posted in full on website.
Special Meeting 11/19/19 Synopsis: Closed session discussion.
Regular Meeting 11/26/19: Synopsis: Approved consent and general calendar as posted in full on website.

Copies of the complete Board minutes can be found for free at www.canton-mi.org. Minutes can also be viewed or copied at 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI during normal business hours. Call 734-394-5120 for more information.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

Effective Communication: The Charter Township of Canton will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the Charter Township of Canton's programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Charter Township of Canton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260.

The Charter Township of Canton will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

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SYNOPSIS
REGULAR MEETING
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, December 12, 2019
TIME: 6:30 p.m.
PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road
CALL TO ORDER: Clerk Banner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
PRESENT: Marjorie F. Banner, Clerk; Fred Shadko, Treasurer; Scott Frush, Trustee; Symantha Heath, Trustee; Mindy Herrmann, Trustee; Christopher Roosen, Trustee
ABSENT: Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor
CLOSED SESSION: As permitted under the Michigan Open Meetings Act (PA 267) of 1976 or MCL 15.268, Section 8 (C) for strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement if either negotiating party requests a closed hearing. – Approved
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

1. **Agendas:**
   - **A.** **Regular Agenda and the Consent Agenda items** – Approved
2. **Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:**
   - **A.** Township Annual Employee Appreciation – Years of Service – Presented
   - **B.** Amy Knoth Reappointment to Northville Youth Network – Approved
   - **C.** Reappoint and Appointments to the Board of Review – Approved
   - **D.** Landfill Working Committee Report – No Report
3. **Public Hearing:**
   - **A.** Set the Public Hearing for the Zhongding Amendment of IFE Certificate for January 16, 2020 at 7p.m. – Approved
   - **B.** MITC Redevelopment Authority – Opened and Conducted
4. **Brief Public Comments:** One member of the audience had a question or comment for the Board of Trustees.
5. **New Business:**
   - **A.** **MITC Brownfield Plan** – Approved
   - **B.** **Budget Amendment 2019-3** – Approved
   - **C.** **Professional Services – Water & Sewer Storage Building Expansion** – Approved
   - **D.** **Friends of the Rouge Proposal for Services** – Approved
   - **E.** **Replacement of Fire Department Truck Radio Equipment** – Approved
   - **F.** **Decision from Closed Session** – Approved
6. **Unfinished Business:** None
7. **Ordinances:** None
8. **Check Registry:**

A. In the amount of $1,457,039.59 for the period of November 9, 2019 to November 30, 2019. – Approved

9. **Board Communication & Reports:**
   - **A.** Marjorie Banner, Fred Shadko, Scott Frush, Symantha Heath, Mindy Herrmann, Christopher Roosen, Debbie Wilhelm
10. **Any other business for the Board of Trustees:** None
11. **ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

A draft of the minutes will be available December 26, 2019.
Respectfully submitted:
Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor
Marjorie F. Banner, Clerk

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Inkster - Plymouth

Local tattoo artist facing sexual misconduct charges

An area tattoo artist has been arrested on charges of criminal sexual conduct for acts that allegedly took place in the City of Plymouth in 2015.

Alex Boyko, 26, was arraigned Dec. 12 in 35th District Court before Judge Michael Gerou on three counts of fourth degree criminal sexual conduct. The charges are misdemeanors carrying a maximum penalty of 2 years imprisonment. Gerou ordered a $50,000, or 10 percent bond, no travel outside Michigan, and no tattooing of women without adult supervision in addition to wearing an electronic tether. Boyko was also ordered not to have contact with the victim in the allegations.

The complainant in the case claims that from April to June of 2015, Boyko, 26, of Livonia, had inappropriate sexual contact with her in Plymouth. The woman, now 25, is a Redford Township resident, according to reports from the office of the Wayne County Prosecutor. The charges indicate that the contact included coercion or force.

Tattoo artists in Michigan require county licensure or certification as body-art workers. Boyko had been accused two years ago on the feminist website Jezebel where it was alleged that Boyko had been accused by dozens of women of inappropriate sexual behavior. The alleged acts on that website ranged from lewd invitations to physical assault and were made by numerous women, all via social media, according to the website.

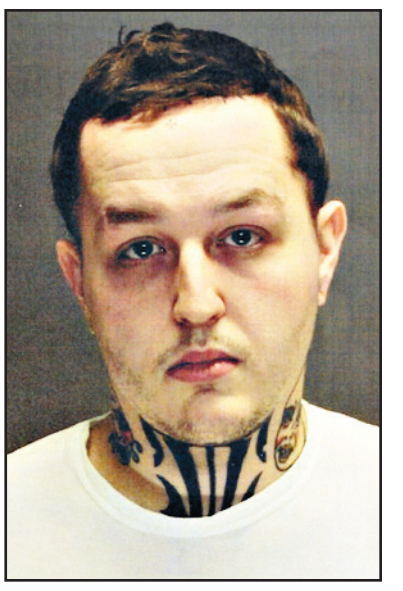
Boyko specializes in American tradition-style tattoos and he formerly served as a guest artist in shops across the Midwest and in Los Angeles, according to the Jezebel website.

According to the police report, the complainant and Boyko were interviewed by Plymouth detectives who determined that the alleged incident included tattooing outside of regular business hours at the Plymouth location, locking of the door to the place and the "tracing" of a tattoo on the victim's sternum.

Reportedly, Boyko's career was negatively affected by the Jezebel article and he was no longer offered any guest-spots at recognized tattoo establishments. Those "guest-spots" are a common practice, industry sources said, offered to tattoo artists visiting from other cities working on a commission-only basis. They are often granted at studios for a short period of time–from a few days to a week.

Officials did not release further details about the nature of the contact that prompted the warrant arrest by Plymouth police.

Boyko entered a not-guilty plea during his court appearance which some members of his family attended. He is due back at 35th District Court for a probable cause hearing tomorrow and his preliminary examination on the charges is set for Dec. 27. The defendant is represented by attorney Jeffrey Perlman.



Alex Boyko

Inkster sets holiday hours

Like other municipal offices throughout the area, the Inkster city administration buildings will have special hours during the holiday season.

City offices will close from 1 until 4 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 20. The offices will also be closed from noon until 4 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 23.

The offices will close on Dec. 23 at noon and will be closed Christmas Eve Dec. 24 through Wednesday, Jan 1.

The offices will reopen for regular hours from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2.

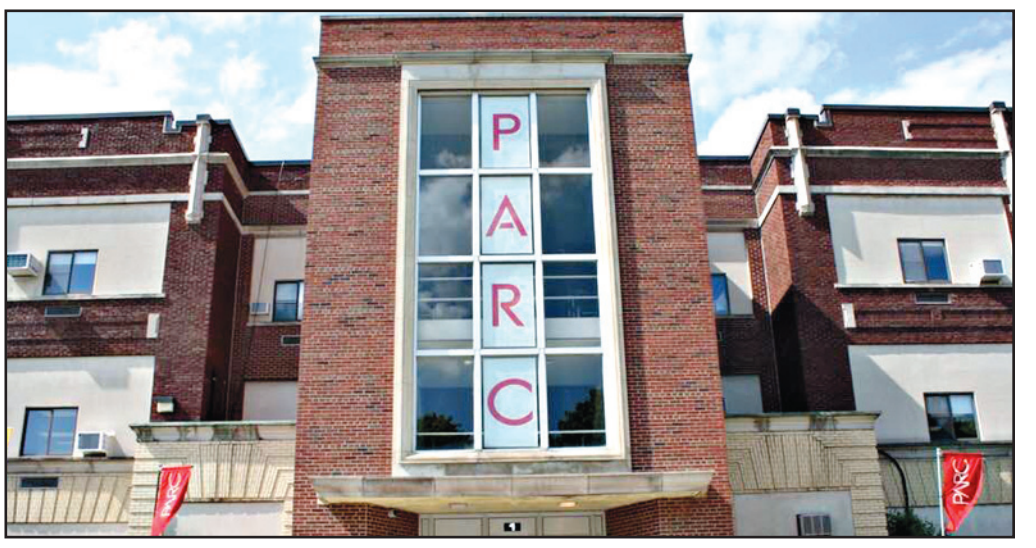
Inkster City Hall is located at 26215 Trowbridge in Inkster. For more information, call (313)563-4232.

Arts complex awarded $40,000 state grant

The Plymouth Arts & Recreation Complex (PARC) has received a grant of $40,000 from the Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs (MCACA) to help fund major repairs and renovations to the parking lot behind the building.

Following approval of the state budget, MCACA officials announced that the council would be able to move forward with the funding process and grant awards. Officials at the Plymouth facility were recently notified that it had been awarded a capital improvement grant for the major upgrade the paved parking area behind the building, bringing it up to standard.

"PARC Board of Directors and PARC staff are extremely pleased and filled with gratitude for the $40,000 grant awarded by the Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs," said PARC President Don Soenen. "These funds will be extremely helpful as we move forward with our plans to resurface the parking lot and improve the lighting."



MCACA is the key state agency charged with developing arts and culture policy and grant-making. MCACA provides grants to encourage, initiate and facilitate an enriched artistic, cultural and creative environment in Michigan. According to the mission statement of the group, "The council is dedicated to ensuring that every citizen and community in Michigan enjoys the civic, economic and educational benefits of arts and culture"

PARC is a 501(c)3 public charity, leading the effort to convert the historic Plymouth High/Central Middle School and the 16.6 acres on which it stands, into an arts, education and recreation complex serving the greater Plymouth community.

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Calendar of events

Wayne County Lightfest returns

The Wayne County Annual Lightfest has returned for the holiday season and will be open through Tuesday, Dec. 31. The display will be closed only on Christmas Day.

The 5-mile lightfest drive offers colorful displays and at the end, visitors can stop and visit Santa's Shelter for refreshments and photos.

For more information, call (734) 261-1990. The fee to drive through the spectacular display is $5 per vehicle.

Detroit Circus returns to celebrate New Years Eve

Back by popular demand, the Detroit Circus returns to the Village Theater for a special New Year's Eve performance at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31. There will be high-flying aerial antics on fabric and the trapeze; fire dancing and eating; stilt walking and stilt acrobatics and feats of mind-bending strength. Tickets are $22 for all ages. For tickets and information, call the Village Theater Box Office at (734) 394-5300.

Westland holiday decorating contest is now under way

The "All American Holiday Decorating Contest" has begun in Westland.

The contest will continue until midnight Tuesday, Dec. 24 and city residents can nominate themselves or a friend in one or all of the three categories: Best Traditional Display, Most Creative Display and Over the Top Display (not necessarily Clark W Griswold). Nominees will be asked to provide a picture along with their nominations.

Contest entries can be posted on Twitter or Instagram, tagging @CityofWestland and using the hashtag #westlandholidaypride.

Winners will be announced and awarded with prizes at the first meeting of the members of the city council of the New Year on Monday, Jan. 6, 2020.

Hockey lessons offered

Registration for the next Learn to Play Hockey sessions at the Plymouth Cultural Center is now under way. The classes, which are an introduction to hockey programs intended for players 4 to 9 years of age, will begin Jan. 4.

The program includes seven skating sessions and will continue through Feb. 23. The cost per student is $85.

All sessions take place at the Plymouth Cultural Center 525 Farmer, Plymouth.

Full equipment is required..

A limited number of gear sets are available to borrow from the Recreation Department for use during the program and can be reserved on-line when registering.

On-line registration is available at https://plymouthwebtrac.net/wbwsc/plymouthwebtrac.wsc/splash.html

Walk-In Registration will be taken at the City of Plymouth Recreation Department located in the Plymouth Cultural Center Recreation office. For more information call (734) 455-6620 x 0.

Garden Club to meet

Members of the Country Garden Club of Northville will meet at 11 a.m. Jan. 8 at Ward Church, 40000 Six Mile Road in Northville.

The speaker for the meeting will be Cheryl English who will discuss the Autumn Jewels.

Light snacks will be served.

For more information, call (248) 202-1518.

Township hosts blood drive

Plymouth Township will host a blood drive from 1-7 p.m. Jan. 8 in the board meeting room at township hall, 9955 N.Haggerty Road in Plymouth.

The need for blood is constant and only volunteer donors can fulfill that need for patients in our community, noted Fire Chief Daniel Phillips who is coordinating the effort.

Nationwide, someone needs a unit of blood every 2 to 3 seconds and most of us will need blood in our lifetime, he added

For more information, contact Phillips at (734) 354-3221

Plymouth Ice Festival offers a 'sensory friendly' peek

The 2020 Plymouth Ice Festival, set for Jan. 10 through 12 in downtown Plymouth has teamed with the Miracle League of Plymouth and the Plymouth District Library for a Sensory Friendly Plymouth Ice Festival Evening from 608 p.m. Jan. 9.

The event will feature live ice carving near the library entrance, sensory friendly entertainment inside the library and interactive sensory ice blocks.

The event is free, includes snacks and is open to all special needs families.

For more information contact Kelly Hermann at Kelly@miracleleagueofplymouth.com or at (616) 439-0466.

Suite Surrender presented

Inspire Theater will be presenting Suite Surrender: a farce by Michael McKeever at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 10, 11, 17, 18, 24 and 25, and at 3 p.m. Jan. 12, 19 and 26. Westland Center for the Arts is located at 33455 Warren Road.

The story takes place in t's 1942 and two of Hollywood's biggest divas have descended upon the luxurious Palm Beach Royale Hotel -- assistants, luggage, and legendary feud with one another in tow. Everything seems to be in order for their wartime performance until they are somehow assigned to the same suite. Mistaken identities, overblown egos, double entendres, and a lap dog named Mr. Boodles round out this love note to the classic farces of the 30s and 40s. The play is not suitable for all ages. For tickets and more information visit https://inspiretheatre.ticketleap.com

Elks host Blues performance

Blues @ The Elks takes place from 7 until 10 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge #325 in partnership with the Detroit Blues Society (www.detroitbluessociety.org). There is a $5 donation at the door and dancing is encouraged.

The Kathleen Murray Band will perform Jan. 14. Joining Murray with vocals is Mike Ferencz on guitar, Craig Scott on bass, Bob Bowman on drums and Evan Mercer on keyboard.

The Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325 is located at 41700 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 453-1780 or visit www.plyaa325.com or email jazzattheelks@gmail.com

Bowling fundraiser planned

The Romulus Chamber of Commerce and Friends of the Romulus Library have planned a bowling fundraiser from beginning with registration at 7 p.m. Jan. 18 at Romulus Lanes, 37452 West Huron River Dr. in Romulus

Bowling will begin at 8 p.m.. Tickets are $20 per person or $40 per couple which includes three games of bowling, shoe rental, pizza and a soft drink. There will be a 50/50 raffle and a cash bar.

Organizers said that the event is usually a sell out and urged early ticket purchase. The event is limited to the first 72 bowlers.

For tickets or information, call (734)893-0694.

Daddy Daughter Dances planned in Plymouth

The City of Plymouth Recreation Department will host the 9th Annual Daddy Daughter Dance at the Cultural Center Reception Room from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 31 and again Saturday, Feb. 1.

Light refreshments and snacks will be served. Semi-formal, dressy-casual attire recommended.

Advance ticket purchase is required because space is limited. No walk-ins will be accepted, organizers cautioned.

The cost for the dance is $12 and registration is now available online at www.plymouthmi.gov/recreation.

The Cultural Center is located at 525 Farmer St. in Plymouth. For more information call 734)455-6620

Jazz performance planned

Jazz @ The Elks take place from 7 until 9:30 p.m. the last Tuesday of the month at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325. There is a $10 donation at the door which includes hors d'oeuvres.

Pete Siers Organic Roots will perform Tuesday, Jan. 28. Siers will be on drums, Duncan MacMillan on organ, Steve Wood on sax, and Matt LaRusso on guitar.

The Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325 is located at 41700 Ann Arbor Road. For more information, call (734) 453-1780 or visit www.plyaa325.com .

Garden Club to meet

Members of the Country Garden Club of Northville will meet at 11 a.m. Feb. 5 at Ward Church, 40000 Six Mile Road in Northville.

The speaker for the meeting will be Sue Grubba who will discuss the Healthy Soil and Wise Fertilizing. Light snacks will be served.

For more information, call (248) 202-1518.

Butterfly Ball returns

A Valentine's Day tradition returns to Canton Township Feb. 7 and 8 with the Butterfly Ball at the Summit on the Park. The event offers a unique experience and dads and daughters can enjoy an evening of dancing, refreshments, a special butterfly souvenir, and the highly anticipated- balloon drop that caps off the festivities. Choose from three dances: 6 p.m. Feb. 7 or 2 or 6 p.m. Feb. 8. All three dances will again be held in the Summit gymnasium this year. Ticket sales will end Feb. 1.. Tickets are $11 for residents and $14 for non-residents. Dads and daughters, regardless of age, are required to purchase a ticket to attend. This annual event has sold out in the past, so early ticket purchase is advised.

For more information, call (734) 394-5460.

Students host record show

The annual 88.1 record show will bring thousands of vinyl records, CDs, import only releases, t-shirts, posters and other collectables to the Salem High School Cafeteria.

The record show is set for 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22 and proceeds will benefit the nationally-recognized student radio station operated by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

In addition to the wide variety of vendors, the show will feature special giveaways and door prizes.

Admission to the record show is $3, however collectors wanting an early start can purchase early admission between 9 and 10 a.m. for $5. Students at Canton, Plymouth and Salem high schools will be admitted at no cost with student identification.

Interested dealers or those wanting more information can contact (734) 416-7732 or email bill.keith@pccsk12.com. Eight foot tables can be reserved for $30.

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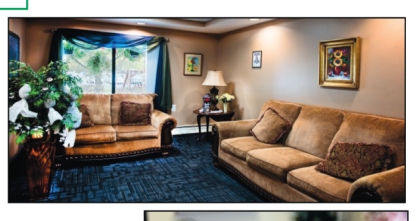

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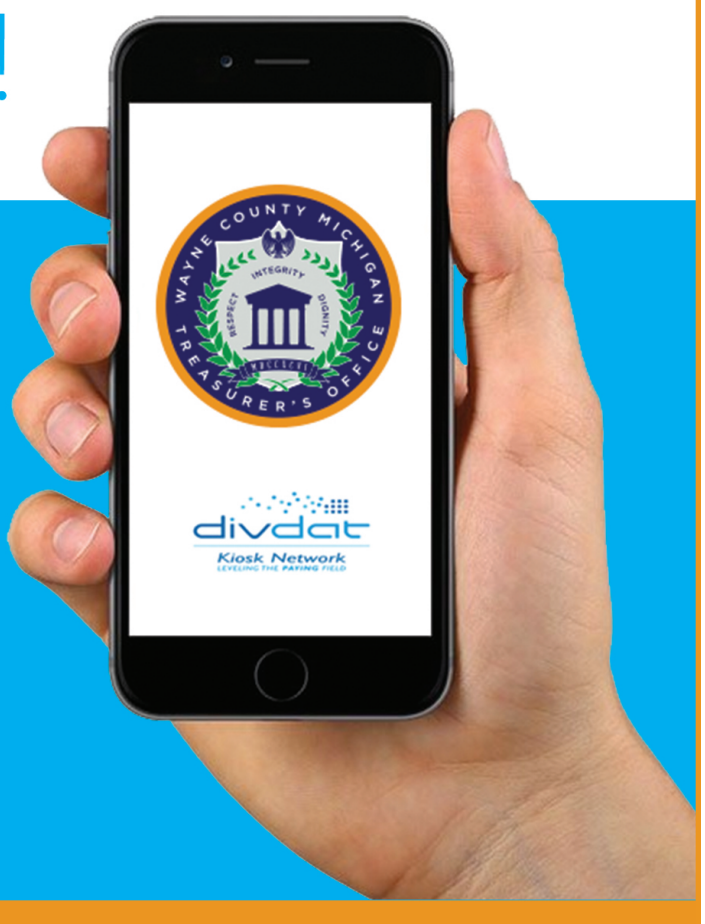

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